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8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT SEATTLE

10 ELIZABETH A. EVANS, et al.,

11 Plaintiffs,

12 v.

13 PFIZER INC.,

14 Defendant.

CASE NO. C18-1008 MJP

MINUTE ORDER

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16 The following minute order is made by the direction of the court, the Honorable Marsha  
17 J. Pechman, United States District Judge:

18 The Amended Complaint filed in the above-entitled matter lists 11 Plaintiffs, all of whom  
19 are the Personal Representatives of the estates of decedents for whose deaths Plaintiffs wish to  
20 hold Defendant liable. (Dkt. No. 4.) The Amended Complaint lists the residences of all the  
21 Plaintiff/Personal Representatives (Id. at ¶¶ 1 – 11) and asserts diversity jurisdiction on that  
22 basis.

23 The Plaintiffs are directed to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(c)(2):  
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1 (c) For the purposes of this section and section 1441 of this title [28 USCS § 1441]--  
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2 (2) the legal representative of the estate of a decedent shall be deemed to be a citizen  
3 only of the same State as the decedent, and the legal representative of an infant or  
4 incompetent shall be deemed to be a citizen only of the same State as the infant or  
incompetent.

5 Therefore, for purposes of determining diversity jurisdiction, the residences of the Plaintiff/  
6 Personal Representatives are irrelevant.

7 The parties have been ordered to appear before the Court for purposes of an FRCP 16  
8 conference on **November 6, 2018**. Plaintiffs are ordered, by no later than three days prior to this  
9 conference, to file with the Court an amended complaint which contains the residences of the  
10 decedents and verifies the grounds for diversity jurisdiction on that basis.

11 The clerk is ordered to provide copies of this order to all counsel.

12 Filed October 9, 2018.

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Clerk of Court

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